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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Assistant Comm'r for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for two (2) months extension of time for reply to the outstanding Office Action in the above-captioned application. Should this period be insufficient, Applicant respectfully petitions for additional time as required and available.

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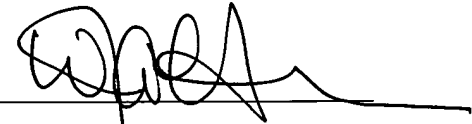| 1/2/2001 | ⟨signature⟩ | Jeffery A. Roussin |
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Granted (2) mos.

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**GENERAL AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE FEES**: The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee as may be required under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and/or 1.17 at any time during the prosecution of the above referenced application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0489, without further or more specific authorization.

Respectfully submitted,

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